WAIVER OF NAVIGATION AND VESSEL INSPECTION LAWS¹

The head of each department or agency responsible for the administration of the navigation and vessel-inspection laws is directed to waive compliance with such laws upon the request of the Secretary of Defense to the extent deemed necessary in the interest of national defense by the Secretary of Defense. The head of such department or agency is authorized to waive compliance with such laws to such extent and in such manner and upon such terms as he may prescribe, either upon his own initiative or upon the written recommendation of the head of any other agency, whenever he deems that such action is necessary in the interest of national defense.

Sec. 2. The authority granted by this Act shall terminate at such time as the Congress by concurrent resolution or the President may designate.

¹ Public Law 81-891, approved December 27, 1950 (64 STAT. 1120) (Note preceding 46 App. U.S.C. 1).